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TO AMEMBASSY MONTEVIDEO

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TAGS: SHUM, UY

SUBJECT: PRESS PLAY ON THE NAS VISIT

REF: MONTEVIDEO 912 AND 881

1. DAVENPORT HAS NOT YET MADE PRESS STATEMENT ON NAS VISIT. EACH OF THE THREE MEMBERS OF THE MISSION IS SEPARATELY PREPARING A REPORT WITH A COMPLETION DUE DATE OF MARCH 24. THE SEPARATE REPORTS WILL THEN BE COMBINED AND MADE AVAILABLE UNDER AN NAS PRESS RELEASE SHORTLY THEREAFTER. THE PROFESSIONAL MAGAZINE "SCIENCE" HAS OFFERED TO CONSIDER PUBLISHING THE REPORT WITH NO ASSURANCE IT WILL DO SO. DAVENPORT HAS PROMISED US A COPY OF THE TRIP REPORT AS SOON AS IT IS READY.

2. WHAT APPEARED IN THE MONTEVIDEO PRESS ON MARCH 18 WAS BASED ON A CABLE FROM THE URUGUAYAN EMBASSY. A COPY OF THE EMBASSY CABLE REPORTING ON AMBASSADOR PEREZ CALDAS' LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CONVERSATION WITH DAVENPORT ON MARCH 15 IS BEING POUCHED.

3. DAVENPORT CAME TO THE DEPARTMENT MARCH 20 AND READ REFEELS. HE COMMENTED THAT THE URUGUAYANS ARE ADEPT AT PUTTING WORDS IN HIS MOUTH, BUT OTHER THAN TREATMENT ACCORDED HIS VISIT BY "LA MANANA", HE HAD NO QUARREL WITH THE PRESS PLAY. HE MARVELED AT HOW FAST HIS CONVERSATION WITH AMBASSADOR PEREZ CALDAS GOT BACK TO MONTEVIDEO AND INTO THE PRESS. DAVENPORT TOOK A COPY OF MVD 881 TO REVIEW. COPY HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO BUTLER, WHO ALSO SPOKE EXTENSIVELY WITH DAVENPORT BY PHONE ON MARCH 20.

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